

## Local Matters.

### Removal of Distinguished Revolutionary Heroes.

The New York legislature in April last passed an act authorizing a special committee "to take such action as they deem advisable and necessary in order to remove from Yorktown, in the county of Westchester, to the city of Newport in the State of Rhode Island, the remains of Colonel Christopher Greene and Major Ebenezer Magg, of the 1st Regiment of Rhode Island Continental Infantry, who were killed on May 13, 1781, on the plains near Plafie Ridge, in said county of Westchester, while serving with a detachment of their regiment in defense of this State, and in order to erect in said city a suitable memorial or tablet in recognition of said services, the sum of \$2,000 is hereby appropriated." The committee created for this duty were, Hon. Asa Bird Gardner, Hon. James M. Varum, Col. Geo. W. Olney, Rev. Dr. Henry Barlow Chapin, Henry Hutchinson Holmer and Charles Howland Russell. The committee appointed by Gov. Dyer to receive the remains are Dr. Nathaniel Greene, Hon. Asa Bird Gardner, Hon. Horatio Rogers, John Nicholas Brown, Hon. Wm. P. Sheffields, Amos Perry, ex-Governor Charles Warren Lippitt, Edward Abou Greene and William W. Sherman. All of the committees from both States are members of the Rhode Island Society of the Cincinnati. It is the intention to have the remains removed from New York to Newport with proper ceremonies, and also to erect in some suitable spot a monument to the memory of these distinguished Revolutionary heroes. We understand that it is the desire of a part of the committee, at least, to have the monument erected on Tour Park, and that the State will be asked to contribute a portion of the expense of erecting such a monument. It was originally the intention of the committee to remove the bodies this fall, but it has now been decided to postpone action till next spring.

The Men's League of the First Presbyterian church gave one of its delightful entertainments Thursday evening, in the shape of a lecture by Major Henry C. Cochrane, U. S. M. C., assisted by Mrs. Cochrane who presided at the organ and Dr. W. C. Stoddard who operated the stereopticon. Major Cochrane took for his subject "Hawaii and Cuba" and the fact that he spoke from a personal knowledge of the islands shown and subjects mentioned added not a little to the very interesting manner in which the lecture was delivered. Major Cochrane was introduced by Mr. George P. Magner who made a few well chosen remarks.

The third in a series of what parties for the benefit of the Woman's Exchange was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Perry Thursday evening and was a decided success both socially and financially. A sufficient number of tickets were sold to fill fifteen tables and everyone present thoroughly enjoyed the evening. Mrs. Safford T. Gladding and Mr. William G. Ward captured the prizes, the contest being close from start to finish.

The report of the Board of Health for October shows the number of deaths to have been twenty-five at ages ranging from less than five years to 92 years, 10 months, 18 days. The largest number of deaths—ten—were residents of the fourth ward and the smallest number—one—of the fifth ward. Fourteen deaths were from typhoid fever, the only contagious disease reported for the month.

Mrs. Mahala Allen, widow of Samuel S. Allen, died at her home in Fall River this week at the advanced age of 93 years. Mrs. Allen was a native of East Greenwich and daughter of Jonathan and Deborah Barker. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Benjamin Cook of Fall River, and a nephew, Mr. Alexander N. Barker of this city.

The committee of the city council on the revision of ordinances held a meeting Thursday evening, Alderman Shattler being chairman and Councilman Koehne secretary pro tem. After organizing Mr. Charles J. Moore was elected clerk of the committee.

Training Ship Essex, Commander Frank Courtis, arrived here Saturday night from the Portsmouth navy yard. The purpose of her visit was to take on a draft of apprentices for a cruise in southern waters.

Ex-councilman Joseph Haire of this city is looking over the ground in Porto Rico to determine whether it is a safe field for investment.

City Treasurer and Mrs. John S. Coggeshall are spending a few days in New York and Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Q. Jones have closed their cottage for the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis B. McCagg are at their cottage on Gibbs avenue.

St. Joseph's church has been equipped with electric lights.

### School Committee.

The regular monthly meeting of the school committee was held Monday evening, Chairman C. F. Barker presiding, and there being but one absentee, Dr. Currier. The report of trustee officer Topham was read and contained the following: Number of cases investigated (reported by teachers), 183, number found to be truants, 24; number, on account of illness and other causes, 159; number found not attending school, 47; number sent to the public schools, 20; number sent to Catholic schools, 21. He recommended that Austin Cronin, who is an habitual truant, be prosecuted according to law.

Superintendent Baker's report contained the quarterly statement of school attendance as follows:

Total	At. No.	Av. No.	Av. No. of days
Enrolled	240	239	272
Attending	235	233	268
Truants	24	24	603
Illness and other causes	159	159	1093
Total	458	455	2333

It also showed that forty eight persons had been enrolled in the evening drawing and bookkeeping classes and that the record of attendance at the evening elementary schools was as follows:

Enrolled	At. No.	Av. No.	Av. No. of days
Enrolled	11	11	137
Attending	11	11	137

The report further touched upon the teacher's retirement fund, to which 60 teachers contribute \$39.50 per year; the commercial course in the Rogers High School; the need of new type-writing machines in the Townsend Industrial school; the gift by Charles E. Hammett of a work on industrial education; and the custom of beginning the afternoon sessions of the schools at 1:30 at this time of year.

By vote of the board the trustee officer was authorized to present as recommended. The recommendation that the schools open their afternoon sessions at 1:30 was adopted. The matter of new type writing machines for the industrial school was referred to the committee on that school with power to act.

A number of the teachers presented a petition requesting that the morning sessions of the schools be closed at 11:30 instead of 11:45 as at present on the ground that the noon recess is too short. After some discussion they were given leave to withdraw.

The finance committee presented a resolution authorizing the city treasurer to transfer the sum of \$2,300 from the account of the Ellen Townsend fund to the account of the public school committee—\$1,000 to pay in part the salaries of the male teachers in the Townsend Industrial School, and \$1,300 to pay the bill for installing the new boiler in the Townsend Industrial School. A resolution was also introduced requesting the city council to make an additional appropriation for the school department sufficient to pay in full all bills contracted for the support of the schools during the year, provided that the amount does not exceed \$2300. The committee explained that these amounts were rendered necessary by the cost of installing the new boiler in the Townsend Industrial school and grading the Carey school. The resolutions were adopted after brief discussion.

### With the Merry B's.

The Merry B's held their weekly gathering Thursday evening and fully sustained their reputation as one of the jolliest whist clubs of the winter. Good scores were made by all members of the club and those whose scores entitled them to the booty prizes were not far below their competitors. The first prizes were won by Miss Martha L. Williams and Mr. William W. McKenale and the consolation by Mrs. Etta McDonald and Mr. John Bernard. Refreshments were served at the conclusion of the contest and for an hour merriment reigned supreme, after which the club adjourned for two weeks.

Mr. John H. Irish of this city died at the home of his son in Providence on Tuesday of this week. Though in failing health for some time, Mr. Irish was better, apparently, than he had been for some time and on Saturday of last week went to Providence to spend the winter with his son. Mr. Irish was seventy years of age and had passed nearly all his life in this city. His funeral was solemnized from Belmont Memorial chapel yesterday afternoon, Rev. Dr. Currier officiating, and was largely attended. He leaves a son and six daughters. One sister, Mrs. Francis Hazard, survives him.

The New York Horse Show has had its jousts at Madison Square Garden this week and nearly all the Newport summer residents occupied boxes. Many of Newport's summer colony have captured blue ribbons in the ring. "Charley" Bates has been very much in evidence as usual and has taken the lion's share of the prizes.

Mr. James H. Barney has returned from a business trip to New York.

Commander Maynard, U. S. N., has been in town this week.

### Thanksgiving Day.

"And now," said the governor, giving abroad on the piled up corn, "the sheaves that dotted the clearings and covered the meadows over, 'tis meet that we remember the harvest of this year of grace."

Thanksgiving Day, that holiday so dear to the heart of every New Englander, will be celebrated next Thursday, and will as usual be the signal for the onslaught on Turkey. The abstemious and daughters will once more assemble around the family board and partake of the other of their childhood's home. While the celebration of Thanksgiving Day is now a national custom, its observance throughout the New England states is more in accord with the primitive customs and is held in higher esteem than in other sections of the country. Sentiment may be largely responsible for the incubation of this regard for the holiday in this section, for the first Thanksgiving Day in America was instituted in Massachusetts by the little band of pilgrims who landed at Plymouth in 1620. They instituted the custom of giving thanks for a bountiful harvest and the recognition of God's mercy to them, and its observance by them was not unlike that of the New England of today. Landing as they did in the middle of winter, in a strange land, with scant supplies and surrounded as they very soon discovered by savage tribes who on the least provocation became hostile foes, the hardships and anxieties of the sturdy Puritans can well be realized. When they sowed their crops they knew not whether theirs would be the hands to gather them or whether both crops and planters would be destroyed by the Indians ere the harvest time. It is small wonder then that the pilgrims were desirous of showing in some outward manner the thankfulness they felt towards the Almighty when in the fall of 1621 they contemplated their work and added up their blessings. They had succeeded in building tolerably comfortable dwelling-houses and a fort or meeting-house and, although during the winter a number of their little band had succumbed to sickness, more than half of them were alive and in good health when the first year's crops were garnered in. The harvest had been plentiful and the Indians were now friendly and for these blessings it was decided to give public thanks. A day was appointed by Governor Bradford, luncheon was sent out to procure game for the feast, and the Indians were invited that they "might after a more special manner rejoice together." The Indian guests remained three days and the festivities began each day with religious services. From this time on a public Thanksgiving day was appointed each year by the governors of the colonies. At first these appointments were at different seasons of the year, and for special reasons, particularly for the arrival of ships with provisions and new colonists, but they finally became more generally for the harvest and were in the late autumn or early winter. Although occasionally Thanksgiving proclamations were issued by a governor outside of New England, the custom did not become general in any other part of the country. In 1863 Thanksgiving proclamations were issued by governors of eight of the southern states and during the civil war President Lincoln issued proclamations recommending special thanksgivings for victory. In 1893 and 1894 President Lincoln issued a proclamation for an annual thanksgiving, since which time the day has been fixed by presidential proclamation as well as by those issued by the governors of the states. Custom has fixed the day as the last Thursday in November, since by that time the harvests are gathered. Since that day became the established rule there has been but one deviation from it and that was in 1890, when, by proclamation of President Grant the festival occurred on Nov. 18. Few years in our history have afforded such cause for Thanksgiving as this. In addition to the abundant harvests and increase in our trade and commerce, all sections of our country have been more securely brought together in closer bonds of national purpose and unity by the lowering clouds of war which for a time darkened our horizon. These have been dispelled and it is surely a great cause for thanksgiving that the sacrifice of the lives of our brothers in large numbers was not called for as a protracted war would, inevitably, have done. While giving thanks for our own blessings, let us also remember those to whom the year has brought trouble and sorrow and do what lies in our power to make the day brighter to them, ever remembering that

The New York and Boston Companies Coal Co., that are at work at the coal mines in Portsmouth, expect to have their machinery in operation by January 1st. They expect to employ about sixty men when they get fully underway. At present they are erecting a large building near the railroad track and adjoining the machinery at the entrance of the mine. In this building will be the principal operation of compressing the coal dust that has lain on the top of the ground for many years, into fuel. It is claimed by those interested that this coal, which is much harder than any mined in Pennsylvania or elsewhere in the country, makes a dust which, when compressed by the secret process into fuel, is much more valuable than any dust found elsewhere. The New company propose to pump out the mine as soon as they get their machinery ready and proceed with the mining, as well as the compressing the dust. Contrary to the common belief it is claimed that there is an abundant supply of coal beneath the earth there and that its mining can be successfully carried on; that the only reason the mine has not been operated for a number of years past was because the owners were receiving ten percent on their capital stock annually from a rival company to let this mine lie idle. The new owners have bought some six acres of the land surrounding the mine, but the original company will retain the building and machinery in it down near the shore. The new parties have also obtained mining rights or options on a large amount of land surrounding the mine.

It will be a big thing for Portsmouth to have this mine again operated at full blast. We trust that this time the improvement may be permanent.

### The New Portsmouth Enterprise.

The Northampton Society's Exhibit and Entertainments—Prize-Winners Awarded. The New Portsmouth Enterprise held its annual chrysanthemum exhibit and floral show at Masonic Hall on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. This society has always given a first class exhibition in every particular and the public have always looked for something out of the ordinary when this annual show has been announced. They have never been disappointed and this year's exhibit far surpasses anything ever before attempted by the society or exposed by its patrons. Masonic Hall was tastefully decorated with American flags and colored electric lights and as one entered the door it was not hard to imagine yourself in Wonderland. Large and artistically arranged groups of palms, chrysanthemums and foliage plants were arranged at intervals around the sides of the hall, while the entire centre of the floor was occupied with the specimen plants. The fruit and special exhibits were arranged just in front of the stage where during the evenings the band was stationed. Erected over this exhibit was an arch of ornate panicle, which not only enhanced the beauty of the exhibit below it, but viewed from the lower end of the hall made a pretty background. The seedlings, also, were arranged beneath this arch and down the length of the east side of the hall the out blooms held sway. The gorgeous chrysanthemums and dainty carnation plants were so tastefully arranged that, though so widely distinguished in appearance, the beauty of neither was at all detracted from by their proximity to each other. The Geo. A. Weaver Co. had an exhibit of bulbs, garden tools, etc., and in the amateur class the exhibits were fully up to the standard.

### Methodist Union League Meeting.

The Union League, composed of members of all the Methodist churches on the island, held a meeting at the Portsmouth Methodist church Thursday evening, a large number of persons going from this city by special car on the electric railway. A banquet was served by the ladies of the Portsmouth church and when this was disposed of the League held a brief business session. It was voted to make the next meeting the annual one when the election of officers will take place.

President L. D. Davis occupied the chair. The choir of the First Methodist church of this city rendered "Angels of Jesus," followed by prayer by Rev. P. M. Vinton of the Thames Street Methodist church. Rev. Mr. Butler of the Portsmouth church delivered the address of welcome to the church and Superintendent Fuller of the Sunday School the address of welcome to the town.

Senator Horton responded to the toast "The President of the United States," saying that he hoped that McKinley would be known as "The last for war, always for peace, honored in the hearts of his countrymen." Wm. D. Bartley responded to "The Army and Navy," and Rev. Mr. Pierce of St. Paul's church to "The Mother Church." Mrs. Brayton and Mr. Chester Hodley rendered "Come unto Me" in a most pleasing manner. The speaker of the evening was Dean Huntington of Boston University, who took as his subject "New and Older Methods of Education." Rev. Mr. McCrone of the Christian church spoke upon the subject "Independent Religion" and Rev. Mr. Vinton upon "Island Methodism."

Tax Collector Higbee is doing good work in getting in the delinquent taxes. When the year is ended he will probably have the taxes collected up closer than has been done before for many years.

The Women's Auxiliary of the Young Men's Christian Association in this city held a sale and supper at the residence of Mrs. William B. Franklin on Division street Tuesday afternoon.

The General Assembly of the state will meet in adjourned session on Tuesday next in the State House in Providence. The session will probably be a short one.

Mr. Alonzo A. Knowe, who has been seriously ill with typhoid fever for several weeks, has quite recovered and will resume his duties early next week.

Dean Huntington of Boston University has been the guest of Rev. J. H. Allen of the First Methodist church this week.

Miss Idalee Cotton, leading lady of the "Where is Boston" Company spent Friday with her cousin, Mrs. H. H. Gifford in this city.

Progressive whist was in order at the Business Men's Association Monday evening, Mr. John B. Durfee winning the prize, a silver match box.

Rev. Hopkins B. Cady of Woonsocket, formerly of this city, has been visiting friends here this week.

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In addition to the exhibit, dancing to music by the Harry K. Howard orchestra has been enjoyed each evening, while a shooting gallery, smoking room and refreshment have added their attractions to conduce to the comfort and enjoyment of the visitors and the filling of the Society's coffers.

The premiums were awarded as follows:

Class 1—Group of palms and foliage plants arranged for effect, to cover 100 square feet—First prize, Mrs. J. M. Fiske, Charles H. Stark, gardeners; second, Mrs. W. B. Wells, Andrew Wells, gardeners.

Class 2—Group of palms, ferns and chrysanthemums, chrysanthemum to predominate, arranged for effect, to cover 100 square feet—First prize, Cornelia Vandell, Robert Laurie, gardeners; second, Mrs. W. B. Wells, Andrew Wells, gardeners; third, J. D. Burdett, J. D. Burdett, gardeners.

Class 3—Best specimen, white—First prize, Cornelia Vandell, Robert Laurie, gardeners; second, Mrs. W. B. Wells, Andrew Wells, gardeners; third, J. D. Burdett, J. D. Burdett, gardeners.

Class 4—Best specimen, white—First prize, J. H. Rogers, New Bedford, James G. Bartley, gardeners; second, Mrs. J. C. Chubb, South Attleboro, John Barr, gardeners; third, Jacob B. Bailey, Westbury, Mass., William Donald, gardener.

Class 5—Best specimen, yellow—First prize, J. H. Rogers, second, Mrs. B. C. Cheney, third, J. B. Bailey.

Class 6—Best specimen, red—First prize, J. H. Rogers, second, C. Vandell, third, Mrs. J. C. Cheney.

Class 7—Best specimen, any color—First prize, J. H. Rogers, second, Mrs. B. C. Cheney, third, J. B. Bailey.

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Class 9—Best specimen, any color—First prize, J. H. Rogers, second, Mrs. B. C. Cheney, third, J. B. Bailey.

Class 10—Best specimen, any color—First prize, J. H. Rogers, second, Mrs. B. C. Cheney, third, J. B. Bailey.

Class 11—Best specimen, any color—First prize, J. H. Rogers, second, Mrs. B. C. Cheney, third, J. B. Bailey.

### City Council.

A special meeting of the city council was held Tuesday evening for the purpose of making contracts for the construction of the foundation for the new city hall. His Honor Mayor Boyle presided in the board of aldermen and Mr. President Marsh in the common council. All the members were present. In accordance with a recommendation of the committee on streets and highways the fire department was given authority to fill an unused cistern beneath the house of Nathan Barker.

The high way committee also presented a contract with the Newport Illuminating Company and the board of aldermen passed an ordinance accepting the contract and allowing the company the privileges asked. In the lower board it was voted to refer to the committee on street lights.

The contract is in accordance with chapter 77 of the General Laws. The Newport Illuminating Company is to have the exclusive privilege of furnishing electric light, power and heat for a term of seven years. During this time the company agrees that the cost to the city for gas lights shall not be any greater than at present—18 cents per light—and furnishes a fixed scale for the reduction in price as the number of lights increases. The city shall also have the benefit of any improvement in service or reduction in price that is deemed feasible, arrangements being made for a board of arbitrators in case of dispute. In all city buildings where electric incandescent lamps are used there shall be a discount of 10 per cent. In the price. In addition the company will pay into the city treasury one per cent of its gross receipts. During the first year the company will bury its wires on Levis street and on Warner street from Bay View avenue north. During the second year four more streets will be relaid of its wires and arrangements have been made to continue the construction of conduits as the annual demands. City wires will be allowed in the conduits free of cost, and all the roadways will be left in as good condition as when opened. Whenever the city grades a street in which there is no conduit, one will be constructed.

A petition of residents of Washington street that thoroughfare be repaired to prevent the flooding of cellars was referred to the committee on streets and highways. A communication from the school committee requesting an appropriation of \$3,000 to cover a deficit was referred to the finance committee. A communication from the Fifth Ward Improvement Society in regard to certain state lands was referred to the highway committee for public hearing. The contract for building the foundation walls of the proposed city hall was awarded to Morgan Bros. for \$4,473. A petition from the Newport Street Railway Company for permission to lay tracks through Park Place and Hazler street was referred to the committee on streets and highways with instructions to give public hearings. The unexpended balance of the appropriation for the Thames street, pavement was transferred to the highway department and \$1,300 will be expended on the new harbor park.

ALDERMANIC.

The matter of accepting the new roads in the vicinity of Mr. O. H. P. Belmont's residence was taken up and a decree was passed declaring Lodge road, Wausland avenue and Coggeshall avenue public highways. Louis Cohn was granted a fruit vendor's license and John Parnell and A. L. Ash eating house licenses. Two applications for junk licenses were referred to the chief of police.

We would call our readers' attention to the song appearing in our Music department has already proven very pleasing to a large number of our subscribers who have expressed their approval of the innovation. We shall endeavor to make each week's composition more pleasing than the last and trust that our efforts will be pleasing to our subscribers.

The four hundred and eighty-sixth communication of the Grand Lodge of the most ancient and honorable society of free and accepted masons of the state of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations will be held in Freemasons Hall, Providence, on Monday next at 10 o'clock.

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It was growing dark when Miss Mattie, with her basket on her arm, came into the corner market to buy her Thanksgiving dinner. The basket was absurdly small, but Miss Mattie was little herself, and when she set it on the high counter and stood blinking in the bright light, the clerk's head at her elbow seemed to be grinning at them both.

"Well, Miss Mattie," called out the market man, in his hearty fashion, "see your mind is not set on a turkey this time, but just wait till I start this basket off for Capt. Lawson's and I'll show you the right thing—a plump little duck I clapped into the safe this morning, thinking to myself that's the very moral of a treat for Miss Mattie."

Miss Mattie looked embarrassed and rubbed her forehead uneasily over a small eminence that lay in the palm of her hand under her glove. It was a silver five-cent piece, and she had taken it with much hesitation from a little store of pieces, most of them given her when she was a child. For herself she could have got along very well with bread and tea, but somehow it seemed a dishonor to all her happy past not to have something special on Thanksgiving; and so she had a feeling of real pity for it, lying there warm and snug in her palm, and so soon to go tumbling into the heap of clashing, jangling coins tossed about by the butcher's greasy fingers, or perhaps into the pocket of that horrible apron with blood-stains on it. Miss Mattie shuddered, but quickly recovered herself to say, cheerfully:

"Oh, thank you, Mr. Simmons; but don't you think ducks are a sight of trouble, what with the stuffing and the roasting and needing to be looked after and basted regular? I made up my mind to something simple, and I don't know anything that's easier got or more relishing than lamb chops. Two lamb chops is about what I thought of, Mr. Simmons. You know there's only me."

Mr. Simmons had not seen the five-cent piece, but he understood just as well as if he had, and began to cut the chops at once, talking all the time to relieve his own embarrassment and assuring Miss Mattie that "if folks only knew it, there was nothing like lamb chops to encourage your appetite and strengthen you up all over."

"But you'll have to take three chops," looking curiously at the money Miss Mattie laid in his big hand, "or I'll have to make change, and change is scarier than her teeth to-night. You might have company unexpected, you know, and an extra chop would come in handy."

Miss Mattie laughed so gently that the market man ventured to slip a sweetbread and a bunch of yellow celery into the basket on the sly. He would have loved to put in the duck, but that would have looked as if he suspected her reason for not buying it, and, bless you, he knew better than that. Some people have feelings, though their faces are red and their hands coarse and greasy.

Miss Mattie went very happily down the street. She had lighted her lamp before she went out, and a cheerful little ray smiled encouragingly at her as she came to the gate. All the other windows in the weather-beaten old house were black and empty and looked to the lone little woman as if all sorts of hobgoblins might be peeping out at her from the gloom behind them, for Miss Mattie's neighbors had gone away on a Thanksgiving visit and taken the whole family. At least they said "the whole family," but at the very moment Miss Mattie came to the gate a member of the family was huddled up in a corner of the doorway, cold, hungry and much perplexed to understand what had become of all his friends and why, in spite of his pitiful plea, no one came to open the door for him. He heard Miss Mattie and ran hopefully to meet her, hoping as he came, for he had a stiff leg.

"Why, Tommy Barnes," said Miss Mattie, stooping to pat his rough yellow head, "you don't mean to say your folks have gone off to Thanksgiving, and left you behind. Well, if I ever! How dreadful—thoughtless—and you a cripple besides!"

Tommy kept on crying, but he had his eye on the door while Miss Mattie was fitting her key, and the moment it opened he darted in.

"That's right, Tommy," said Miss Mattie; "just make yourself at home. You and I'll have our Thanksgiving together. That extra chop will be wanted after all, and I'm going to make rice biscuits."

She put away her bonnet and shawl and hung the basket on a nail in the back room without even looking at the contents, though Tommy Barnes watched her keenly with a shrewd suspicion of something good, and a faint hope which nothing in his past experience justified that he might come in for a share of it. Miss Mattie was accustomed to being alone, and she scarcely thought of Tommy, as she trotted about, setting the sponge for her biscuits in a pint bowl, putting a little cup of broth on the stove to warm for her supper, making her tea, toasting her bread, and at last sitting down by the table in the little green chair with a patchwork cushion. Up to this point Tommy had sat quietly by the fire, having learned by many severe lessons that little folks should be seen and not heard, but when Miss Mattie poured out the savory broth the delicious odor was too much for his fortitude, and

with one bound he sprung into her lap.

"Hess me," said Miss Mattie, "if I hadn't clean forgot you, and you half-starved, I dare say. There, get down. I never could abide cats around my vicinals."

She put Tommy gently on the floor, crumbled some bread into the bowl of broth, and it carefully and set it down for him to eat.

"It's pretty rich for me anyway she said, as she made out her supper with toast and tea."

It was perhaps well for Tommy that he took an early promenade next morning around the back yards of the neighborhood, and secured several valuable tid-bits, for Miss Mattie had very little to offer him. She baked her delightful little puffs of biscuits, and enjoyed them immensely, finding them lighter and more digestible without butter. She read a Thanksgiving psalm and went about trying to sing in a little chirrupy voice like a brown sparrow. She brought in the small basket and flushed over the unexpected treasure, but took it kindly as a bit of neighborly goodwill. The sweetbread, white and plump and all ready for cooking, reminded her of old Mrs. Morrison, just beginning to sit up and watch the people go by the window. What a toothsome dainty this would be for her, and what a delight to her as she went to church, yes, and some of the celery, too, for a relish. The chops were transferred to a plate on the shelf, the sweetbread wrapped in a fine old napkin and laid back in the basket with the best half of the celery, and the biscuits Miss Mattie had saved for dinner.

"The cold bread will go just as well with the chops," she reflected, and prepared for church with a glow of happiness such as she had not known in a long time.

It helped to a real feeling of thankfulness, especially when she thought of old Mrs. Morrison, and how pleased she had been with the unexpected gift. She laughed a little to herself as she returned to her own door after service, remembering how when Sally Morrison had commiserated her on being alone Thanksgiving Day, she had assumed her she had company invited—Tommy Barnes, from the next door, who was spending a couple of days with her, the rest of the family being away.

"I hope 't wa'n't a sinful untruth,"

she said, smiling at Tommy, who lay peacefully sleeping on the braided rug, "but if old Miss Morrison had set to 't know how to get away, and she is to have me stay to dinner, I shouldn't such a talker."

With a long, clean apron over her best frock, Miss Mattie began cheerfully to make her small preparations for the Thanksgiving feast. She had meditated leaving one chop for breakfast, but her walk and happiness had made her hungry and she decided to cook them all.

But where did she put these chops—she was getting so forgetful—she could have sworn she put them on the shelf—could she have left them in the basket after all? Her perplexed eyes fell from the shelf to the floor, and there, just peeping from the wood-box was the plate, and two small, very small, bits of bone, gnawed quite clean and white. Ungrateful Tommy Barnes, lying there in peaceful slumber, with those precious chops rounding out your yellow sides, if justice had befallen you then and there you might not have lived to steal again. But into the midst of Miss Mattie's righteous wrath came the reflection that Tommy must have been hungry, and the fault after all was partly her own for putting temptation in his way, "though how anything could have been further out of the way than that self, I don't really see," she added, dolefully.

At that minute Tommy Barnes waked from his nap, transformed himself in a camel, yawned in a frightfully tigerish fashion, and proceeded to sharpen his claws on the rug, the sacred rug into which had been braided some precious old garments dear to Miss Mattie's heart. It was a straw too much to have insult added to injury, and springing from her chair, she cuffed Tommy in such vigorous fashion that three or four hearty blows found their mark before the astonished sinner could withdraw his claws and bound out at the back door, left ajar in the search for the chops. At that instant a resounding knock on the front door sent Miss Mattie's heart to her throat with a sudden leap, as if justice were already coming to take her in hand for unrepentant cruelty.

When Miss Mattie was peacefully patting about, unconscious of the cruel trick fate and Tommy Barnes had played her, Mrs. Deacon Giles was surveying her husband with a disturbed and fearful face.

"You don't mean to tell me," she

repeated, "that the minister's folks ain't comin' at all, and you and me has got to eat this big dinner alone? Here, I stayed home from church to tend to it. Oh, you needn't to look as if you thought it was a judgment. Josiah I wouldn't be such a hipperick as to pretend to be thinkin' of spiritual things when I was wonderin' if Sarah Ellen would remember to taste the turkey. Seems to me they ought to let us know sooner."

"But I told you, mother, it was a telegram come just before church. You can't telegraph telegrams like the weekly newspaper, or stop folks from dyin' unexpected."

"Then, why didn't you rush round and get somebody else? Mercy sakes! 'Twa'n't seem like Thanksgiving at all!"

"Didn't seem to be anybody to ask but old Mrs. Morrison and Martha Ellison. I drove round by the Morrison's, but the old lady was just having something relishing Miss Mattie had fetched in. They said they invited her to dinner, but she had company; one of them Barneses next door."

"Fiddlessticks!" said the deacon's wife, in a very disreputable tone, "you just drive straight back and bring Martha Ellison up here to dinner. Tell her I don't take any excuse, and, if she can't come otherwise, she can bring her company along, though the way them shiftless Barneses impose on her is a mortal shame."

Good Deacon Giles had learned docility in many years of experience, and the double knock at Mrs. Mattie's door followed as quickly as could be reasonably expected. Miss Mattie attempted neither excuse nor hesitation, but accepted her good providence with radiant delight.

"Mother said to fetch your company along," said the deacon, glancing doubtfully at the small room. "We heard you had one of the Barneses. I kinder hope 'tain't the cross-eyed one that stole my pears?"

"Oh," said Miss Mattie, laughing in to the little mirror, as she tied her bonnet, "he's had his dinner and he's gone out."

She didn't say that he had eaten hers also, but at Mrs. Giles' hospitable table, under the genial influence of generous fare and pleasant old-time reminiscences, she told the story of Tommy Barnes and the lamb chops in a way that made the deacon lose his breath with laughter. And when she was tucked into the yellow sleigh for the ride home, Mrs. Giles stopped at the door to say:

"I put some bits of bones and things in a basket under the seat for Tommy. Takes a sight of stuff to reely fill up a cat fur 'nough to give his moral principles a fair showing."

Tommy was on the step waiting to welcome Miss Mattie, which shows his forgiving disposition, and, though he got as much as was good for him out of the basket under the seat, Miss Mattie very wisely concluded that the mince pie, roast chicken and cranberry sauce could hardly have been meant for his delight, so she locked them in the cupboard, saying decidedly:

"This time, Tommy Barnes, I'll give your moral principles a fair showing."

Far From Their Own.

There is no sadder day in all the year than this holiday to the homeless. The stranger in a strange city, the widow left desolate, the orphan bereft, the old man forsaken—to these the Thanksgiving bells calling to church seem more like funeral notes ringing a requiem over past remembered joys. Send a cordial note a few days ahead to Johnnie's teacher, whom you happen to know is far from her own people, or to one of the dear old ladies in the "Home for the Aged," or the new clerk who looks as though life was far from being a bed of roses, or the widow and her daughter who do the best they may to keep the wolf from their third story door, and bid them "come in." They will enjoy it—oh, so much—and you will hear deep in your heart, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

This is My Day.

Thanksgiving in Klondike.

Chilkoot Charlie—What'll we do for a 'Thanksgiving' dinner, Jack? We've only got a thousand dollars.

Junco Jack—We can't get no turkey fer that, but I'll tell yer what we'll do, I'll go down to the store an' get a dozen cranberries, an' we kin imagine the rest.

November Joy.

The salvia is brilliant Along the garden wall, The cruller's as resilient As any tennis-ball.

And now with step elastic My gilet I unfold In attitude fantastic On pleasure's cloth-of-gold.

With fancy I'm aboard ship And watch the gobbler gray With chestnuts stuff his lordship To gild Thanksgiving day.

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Preparing for an Emergency.

Senior Member (of law firm)—"What are you so excited and nervous about? The jury will certainly acquit our client."

Junior Member (hastily gathering up his law books and grabbing his hat)—"I'm afraid his women relatives will want to do a lot of kissing when the verdict comes in."

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# THE WEEK'S NEWS.

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Four men killed, one seriously injured and 11 slightly bruised and cut, as the result of an explosion at Hanover Four Corners, Mass.—State in Washington that Spain has been trying to sell the Philippines to any European power which would buy, but they get no takers.—Banquet in New York to Major General Miles a notable success.—Murderers of missionary in Africa, England.—Negroes of Wilmington, N. C., forced to leave the city by the attack of white men.—Woman and child burned to death in New Bedford, Mass.—Frank C. Hootch of Haverhill, Mass., 200 attacked and severely injured by the Boston Braves.—George Dixon was hit by a bullet in the chest as he walked with Dave Sullivan.—British admiral claims the Teresa as a derelict, steamer leaves Nassau to take possession, it is the protest of the American consul.—A total eight run down by a Harvard freshman crew at Cambridge, Mass., and several men narrowly escape drowning.—Admiral Dewey's congratulations to Governor-elect Roosevelt.

SUNDAY, NOV. 13.

Mrs. Nancy Gullford returning in custody of a detective on steamer Lucania for Hot Springs.—Joseph Smith shot in New York by Morris Kilkenny, as a result of a quarrel over a young girl.—Superintendent of Holyoke (Mass.) schools, in resigning, makes grave charges against the board and aldermen.—Eight Massachusetts arrive at new camp at Annapolis, Ga., in good condition.—Major Taylor lowers the mile and half mile record in Philadelphia.—Banquet to Governor-elect Theodore Roosevelt in New York.—Three Providence boys injured by explosion of tomato can of gunpowder.—Possibility of free shops at Marlboro, Mass., causing anxiety among boot and shoe workers.—Annual "crow" supper, in Malden, Mass., shared by Republicans and Democrats.—Cruiser Maria Teresa on Cat Island, and natives have looted her.—Movement for control of fish trade with the provinces.—Rear Admiral Miller to be succeeded by Commodore Howison.

MONDAY, NOV. 14.

The administration at Washington regards the Spanish situation with perfect equanimity.—Assurances given by the United States department by telegram that the visit of Emperor William to Spain is devoid of official character or significance.—Shower of meteors in Oklahoma kills two children, damages houses and sets the prairies on fire.—Indications point to the fact that the cruiser Buffalo was intentionally disabled, and narrowly escaped foundering at sea; engineers said to have been disgruntled and sea valves tampered with.—George E. McNeil would have a Franklin Institute in Boston, something like Cooper union of New York.—Eugene Harold, prisoner at Lawrence, Mass., coolly walks out of jail, bowing to officials on the way.—New industrial school for girls at Hallowell, Me.—Stanley Beckwith of Taunton, Mass., accidentally killed while hunting.—Mrs. Ella Offutt Pepper, who had a successful career as the owner of race horses last season, has retired, having enabled her husband to regain his property.—New camp of Eighth Massachusetts at Annapolis, Ga., named Camp Force.—Death of Hon. George Haskell of Ipswich, Mass.—Runford Falls, Me., Methodists celebrate 100th anniversary of Methodism in that town.—Rev. Dr. J. C. Quinn of St. Thomas Episcopal church, Somerville, Mass., resigned, and the troubles in the parish did not end.—Consecration and dedication exercises at new Myrtle Baptist church, West Newton, Mass.—Chief of the oranges bureau, makes his annual report to the secretary of the navy.—During a veritable storm of rain at Perry, Ok., two children were killed, houses were damaged and the prairie set on fire for miles around; six men fell within a radius of a mile.

TUESDAY, NOV. 15.

Secretary Gage and Postmaster General Smith favor permanent retention of the Philippines in their entirety; prospects of currency reform favorable; no change in tariff and but little in law revenue bill.—Lieutenant H. G. Dresel, U. S. N., commits suicide at Baltimore.—"Mysterious" Billy Smith clearly outwitted in the 20-round bout with Tommy West at Bridgeport.—Major Taylor loses the one-third mile record over Philadelphia track.—Memorial to Rev. Henry Augustus Colt unveiled at St. Paul's school, Concord, N. H.—Government endeavoring to capture two fair away, wives of officers of the Kansas regiment, who left San Francisco for Manila on the transport Indiana.—The old fight between the Platt machine and the independent element of the Union League club threatens to come to the front again in New York.—First Massachusetts heavy artillery mustered out of service, and Colonel Pfaff advances \$15 to every man in need of the money.—Joseph Partridge of Manchester, N. H., sentenced to Concord reformatory for five years for assault, with intent to kill.—Archbishop Gross of Oregon dead.—Inmate of Bridgeport, Conn., almost house heir to \$100,000.—Former Judge Van Wyck after a short rest will return to the practice of law.—In record of vote for representative in Ninth Middlesex (Mass.) district, Nicholas B. Keyou (Dem.) wins by one vote over Charles D. Archibald (Rep.).—Frederick W. Goddard of Newton, Mass., committed suicide by shooting.—Actual consolidation of the Tremont and Elliot banks, Boston, effected.—Theresa Willorbee found dead in Boston; said to have friends in Keene, N. H.—Dogs, apparently mad, caused consternation at Newton and Melrose, Mass.—Pittsburg window glass factories started up.—New York horse show opened full of promise.—All grades of refined sugar advanced \$4 a pound.—Tacoma Christian Scientist refused medical aid and died of pneumonia.—Said the steel rail manufacturers have agreed upon a pooling arrangement, the details of which are being worked out.—Brigadier General Wood ordered the colored regiment to move further away from San Juan, where the fighting occurred Monday.—General Garlin and his party of Cubans arrive at Tampa from Cuba, and are now on the way to Washington.—President Timothy Dwight of Yale college resigns office.—Ex-President Harrison gets \$100,000 retainer from Venezuela as counsel before the tribunal of arbitration in Paris.—Two hundred negroes allowed to escape in island of Luzon by negligent Spaniards.—Death of Dr. Stephen H. Tyng, president of the American chamber of commerce in Paris.—Secretary Long, it is said in Washington, will recommend to congress the construction of three first-class battleships, five first-class armored cruisers and five second-class cruisers.—Revenue cutters to be increased in number by five ships to be built.—Chief Engineer Endicott of the bureau of yards and docks asks for \$367,000 to be spent at the Charleston, S. C., yard.—Blade for Admiral Dewey's sword shipped to New York from United States armory at Springfield.—Lieutenant Decha Breckinridge weds Miss Made McDowell, a great granddaughter of Henry Clay.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 16.

Colored United States soldiers rebel against attempt to arrest one of their number and kill one of Wood's Cuban lieutenant, an old man, a boy and a baby near Santiago.—Cutters strike in two Marlboro factories out of sympathy with shoe workers.—Captain M. Calla reports upon the wreck of the Teresa that it is impossible to pull her off.—Joseph Harper of Boston sentenced to state prison for five to seven years for killing Samuel Williams.—Dreyfus will be allowed to put in his release before

the court of cassation.—General Breckinridge, before the war investigating commission, says that General Shafter's conduct of the Santiago campaign was not above criticism; he thinks that with General Miles in command it would have been more satisfactory.—W. J. Bryan says free silver is not dead.—Eleven people killed in an accident on the Grand Trunk railroad.—Robert L. Porter, special United States consul at San Juan, Cuba and Porto Rico, presents his report to President McKinley.—The Chicago-Virgin Coal company practically accedes to all demands of the striking miners.—Major Taylor, the colored bicyclist, makes his best record, 10 miles, made last Saturday at Philadelphia.—Governor, Mass., little girl killed by an injury to the brain from a slate pencil entering her eye.—Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, at a political conference at Manchester, Eng., speaks of the Farquhar issue and of the good will established between Great Britain and the United States.—Wife of ex-congressman Felton of Georgia calls for the lynching of 1000 negroes weekly if necessary that the white women of the south may be protected.

THURSDAY, NOV. 17.

Peace commissioners meet; Spaniards refuse to accept American interpretation of the terms of the protocol, and propose to leave the matter to arbitration.—Marlboro, Mass., manufacturers say they will keep shoe shops closed until men are ready to yield in every point.—Major Taylor breaks most records at Philadelphia, and his manager issues a challenge to McDuffee.—General Wood reports on the affair at San Juan; he says it was a row between drunken negroes, soldiers and Cuban police; soldiers in the wrong.—Nat Butler, on a bicycle, beats the champion putting stallion Albatross.—Ethel Marlowe dies soon after making exit from stage of New York theatre, where she was playing in "The Christian".—Colonel Jacobs, before the war investigating commission, says that audiences were left in Tampa by General Shafter's explicit orders.—Millionaire Bowditch's stable captures several ribbons and the challenge cup at the New York horse races.—W. C. T. U. unions to be invited to give \$2 each towards a memorial to Frances Willard.—Currency reform conference by chairman of sound money league and a Republican national committee.—In a speech before Conservative club, London, Joseph Chamberlain declares an Anglo-American alliance would fear no other alliance.—Fifth Massachusetts passes through Baltimore on its way to Greenville, S. C.—Eighth Massachusetts regiment to be supplied with improved rifles.—Colored lunatics attack a store in Macon, Ga., and threaten to loot it; 30 of them taken by provost guard.—Child kidnapped in Cleveland and abducted; are captured on a train at Erie, Pa.—Cool W. Shea in serious condition at Lynn hospital, as result of wound in back; says his brother stabbed him.—Edward Austin, an old-time Boston merchant, died at the age of 95.—Fourteen-year-old girl of Islip, L. I., left \$100,000 by eccentric relative, secures property after legal contest.—P. H. Donnelly of Illinois defeats Professor Jenks for secretaryship of industrial labor commission.—Grand Master Workman Hicks of Knights of Labor in favor of expansion.—Tampa boat Dupont develops 30 knots' speed at Newport, R. I., and proves to be the fastest craft in the United States navy.—Navy department authorizes Captain McCalla to abandon the wreck of the Maria Teresa.—Death of Dr. Samuel C. Bartlett, former president of Dartmouth college, at Hanover, N. H.

FRIDAY, NOV. 18.

The American commissioners will ask the Spaniards to name a time for signing a protocol recording their inability to agree, unless the Spaniards will waive all objections and discuss the Philippines question; this is on the word of a member of the cabinet.—Five hundred shots exchanged between negroes and white miners at Springfield, Ill., and military called out to suppress mob.—Hon. Mr. Targion, French-Canadian statesman, prophesies breakup of the American Colossus, the formation of a German empire in the valley of the Mississippi and a French-Canadian empire in the St. Lawrence valley.—General Yagor testifies before the war investigation commission regarding conditions in Cuba and at Montauk.—Nineteenth anniversary and banquet of the old school boys of Boston.—Fourth day of Marlboro shoe workers' strike passes in quietness.—Vestry of old North church, Boston, appeals for funds to assist in preserving the historic edifice.—A Lexington, Ky., photographer brings \$10,000 suit for damages against Major Carson, the noted turfman.—Reading, Mass., citizens honor their sons who went to the front with company A, Sixth Massachusetts regiment.—Fifth regiment passes through at Greenville, S. C., and will reach camp at the Holy Ghost today.—Dedication of the Holy Ghost hospital for incurables at Cambridge, Mass.—General Wood orders the colored regiment to move further away from San Juan, where the fighting occurred Monday.—General Garlin and his party of Cubans arrive at Tampa from Cuba, and are now on the way to Washington.—President Timothy Dwight of Yale college resigns office.—Ex-President Harrison gets \$100,000 retainer from Venezuela as counsel before the tribunal of arbitration in Paris.—Two hundred negroes allowed to escape in island of Luzon by negligent Spaniards.—Death of Dr. Stephen H. Tyng, president of the American chamber of commerce in Paris.—Secretary Long, it is said in Washington, will recommend to congress the construction of three first-class battleships, five first-class armored cruisers and five second-class cruisers.—Revenue cutters to be increased in number by five ships to be built.—Chief Engineer Endicott of the bureau of yards and docks asks for \$367,000 to be spent at the Charleston, S. C., yard.—Blade for Admiral Dewey's sword shipped to New York from United States armory at Springfield.—Lieutenant Decha Breckinridge weds Miss Made McDowell, a great granddaughter of Henry Clay.

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# ENIGMOUS GOLD BALANCE.

Imports For Ten Months Exceed the Record by Fifty Percent.

Washington, Nov. 15.—The importations of gold into the United States in the year 1898 are by far the largest ever known, and the exportations the smallest in many years, while the production of gold from our own mines will prove the largest in the history of the country. The October statement of imports and exports, just issued by the treasury bureau of statistics, shows that the total imports in the 10 months, ending Oct. 31, 1898, are \$112,052,955, which is more than 60 percent in excess of the amount imported in the corresponding period of any preceding year. The exports during that time have been but \$14,961,813, which is less than in the corresponding months for more than 10 years past. This gives the enormous balance of \$97,091,142 of gold importations in excess of gold exportations.

This unprecedented flow of gold into the United States is accounted for, in part at least, by the enormous volume of trade in our favor during the 10 months just past. In that period the total imports of merchandise amounted to but \$327,757,551, while the total exports were \$387,364,356, a balance in our favor of \$54,606,805. The total exports of merchandise for the month of October, 1898, amounted to \$118,638,232, a sum larger than in any preceding October in the history of the country; the figures for October, 1897, being \$111,744,617, and those for October, 1896, \$113,515,658.

President Dwight Disigns.

New Haven, Nov. 15.—At the meeting of the corporation of Yale university late yesterday afternoon, President Timothy Dwight presented his resignation. The resignation is to take effect at the expiration of this university year. The corporation requested President Dwight to delay his retirement until October, 1901. President Dwight, however, insisted upon his resignation at the time stated, and the matter was referred to a special committee to report at a meeting of the corporation to be held on Dec. 31. President Dwight says he resigns because he has reached the age of 70, and wishes to retire from active work. Professor George J. Brush, director of Sheffield scientific school, also presented his resignation. It was accepted and Professor Brush was appointed professor emeritus. Professor R. H. Childs was elected as Director Brush's successor.

Spanish Mail Boat.

Washington, Nov. 15.—The government has renewed and strengthened its determination that the Spanish evacuation of Cuba and the American evacuation shall not be deferred beyond Jan. 1 next. This conclusion has been communicated to the Spanish government within the last few days in answer to an urgent request that the date of evacuation be put off because of the large number of Spanish troops remaining on the island, who, it was represented, could not be moved before Jan. 1. Not being a subject which could be treated by the commissions at Paris or at Havana, the request of the Spanish government was forwarded to Washington through the French embassy, which received also, and forwarded by cable, the refusal of this government to put off the date of assuming American control.

Dupont is Speedy.

Newport, R. I., Nov. 15.—Torpedo boat Dupont, attached to the torpedo station, has exceeded the best torpedo boat speed yet developed in the United States, proving her to be the fastest boat in the United States navy. During torpedo practice in Narragansett bay on Monday her engines made 107 revolutions a minute. Yesterday the starboard engine was making 40 and the port engine 40; three boilers in use. This demonstrated a speed of over 30 knots. During yesterday's trial her bow was at one time eight feet out of the water. Her contract speed was 27½ knots for three boilers.

Elite Again.

Boston, Nov. 14.—The result of the annual election in the Massachusetts division of the League of American Wheelmen was as follows: Sterling Elliott was re-elected chief, by almost a unanimous vote. Addison A. Bryson of Fall River, vice-consul; Aaron Wolfson of Dorchester, secretary-treasurer, with a majority of eight votes over the present incumbent, Arthur K. Peck of Boston. All the independent nominees for representative failed of election, and among them was A. D. Peck, who declined to accept the nomination of the election committee and ran on independent papers.

End of the T-reau.

Washington, Nov. 17.—The armored cruiser Maria Teresa has been abandoned by this time and lies a wreck off the coast of Cat Island. The department has wired Captain McCalla as follows: "If you are satisfied, after consultation with the officers named, the Teresa cannot be saved, you are authorized to abandon the wreck. As for any other matters exercise your own judgment. Notify British authorities. When you have done all you can, return to Norfolk." The captain was subsequently directed to bring the wrecking tug Potomac to Norfolk with him when he came, instead of returning her to Santiago.

Unité a Tidy Sam.

Concord, N. H., Nov. 15.—State Treasurer Carter has completed the appointment of corporate taxes to towns and cities for the year, and in a few days will be ready to effect a settlement of the accounts. The state owes towns \$127,547.71 for savings bank tax, \$332,464.47 for literary fund, \$30,234.10; making a total credit of \$559,551.55. The state tax assessed is \$425,000, leaving a balance due the towns of \$134,551.55.

Admits Negligence.

Boston, Nov. 17.—The prison commissioners had Officer Abbott of the state prison before them yesterday for the purpose of examining him on his report of the escape of John Reed, the bunco man. The officer admits his negligence, but declares that he is an honest man, and that he never received a cent from Reed or any of his friends.

From the Frozen North.

Waterville, Me., Nov. 15.—A letter just received from Robert E. Peary





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TIVERTON.

At the usual monthly meeting of the Court of Probate and Town Council, held at the Court House, Tiverton, on the 11th inst., the following business was transacted:

The petition of John R. Hicks, administrator on the estate of Anne C. Abbott, referred to the next meeting, and notice ordered thereon.

Notice of order on petition of James B. Church to be appointed administrator on the estate of Lucy M. Church.

The petition of Mary T. Campbell, administrator on the estate of Ann Bradley, granted.

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News has been received here of the death in Dover, Me., of James V. Turner, oldest son of Colonel C. W. Turner and a nephew of the late Dr. Henry E. Turner of this city.

The funeral of Mr. Edward B. Young was solemnized from the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Felix Peckham, on Everett street Thursday. Mr. Young was in the ninety-third year of his age and had been in poor health for several years.

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### LOST.

ON MONDAY MORNING, Nov. 15th, between Greenough Place and Rosemary Hill via Kay street extension, a dark brown long fur cape, the fur will be rewarded by leaving it at 111, NOT A HANS, corner Greenough Place and Old Beach Road, Newport.

Department of Streets and Highways.

NOTICE is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Committee on Streets and Highways at the City Hall, Monday evening, November 22, 1898, at 8 o'clock, on the petition of the Newport Street Railway Company for use of Broadway, Marlborough street, Duke street and Washington square, for extension of its tracks, etc., and all persons interested will have opportunity to be heard. By direction of the Committee on Streets and Highways. A. R. MASON, Chairman.

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### Sheriff's Sale.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS.

NEWPORT, SC. Sheriff's Office. BY VIRTUE of a writ of Execution, No. 129, issued out of the Common Pleas Division of the Supreme Court of Rhode Island, returnable for the County of Newport, on the 15th day of July, A. D. 1898, in favor of William T. Carter, Plaintiff, and against E. C. and W. H. Howard, of Little Compton, defendants, I have this day at 10 o'clock a. m. levied the said Execution on all the right, title and interest, which the said defendant, Edward C. Howard, had at the time of this levy, in and to the following described lots or parcels of land with all the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in said Little Compton, in said County of Newport, in the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, and bounded North, by the Highway, 124 ft. by land late of Henry K. Butler and by land of John W. Simmons, south, by land of John W. Simmons, east, by land of John W. Simmons, and west, by land of John W. Simmons, and late of George H. Peckham, deceased, or his heirs, or otherwise the same may be bounded and described, containing twenty five acres, more or less.

Second parcel, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at northeast corner of the land of said Henry K. Butler, and running North 82 degrees 10' west to a point on the land now or late of John T. Phipps, 3 1/2 and 3 1/2 feet to the County road, thence running and running South 1 degree 2' west along and along 1 1/2 feet, to land now or late of Frederick Brownell, thence running and running along the land of said Henry K. Butler, North 82 degrees 10' east 153 and 153 feet; North 82 degrees 10' east 40 and 40 feet; South 81 degrees 25' east 65 and 25 feet; North 82 degrees 10' east 65 and 25 feet; South 80 degrees east 163 and 163 feet; North 82 degrees 10' east 172 feet to said Quaker Pond, thence running northerly along the border of said Pond to point of beginning, containing a total area of 26 and 21-100 acres, be the same more or less, or otherwise the same may be bounded and described, and recorded in said Evidence of Little Compton in Vol. 13 page 138, reference to which is hereby made for a more full description.

AND Notice is hereby given that I will sell the said land at a public auction to be held in the Sheriff's Office, in said City of Newport in said County of Newport on the 16th day of November, A. D. 1898, at 12 o'clock noon, for the satisfaction of said execution, (debt, interest on the same, costs of suit, my own fees and all contingent expenses, if successful).

HUGH N. GIFFORD, Deputy Sheriff.

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Macomber was a suit for damages for slander, plaintiff alleging that defendant said that he was a thief and that he circulated the statement unduly. The suit was the result of trouble over a lost pocketbook containing a sum of money. Judge Baker represented the plaintiff and Colonel Sheffield the defendant. The jury found for plaintiff in the sum of \$102.

A juror from Block Island who appeared in court late but very happy was fined \$5 and dismissed.

Thursday morning was devoted to the suit of Sarah C. Reed vs. Lincoln Hambley, Town Treasurer. This was an action to recover for injuries received and which plaintiff claimed was due to a dangerous place in a public highway. Mr. Slade of Fall River represented the plaintiff and Colonel Sheffield the defendant. The jury rendered a verdict of \$750 for the plaintiff.

The next case of trial was that of Kate B. Dowick et al. vs. Bridget Preece, executrix, being an appeal from the Probate Court of Newport. City Solicitor Brown appeared for the plaintiff. The will of Thomas Preece, deceased, which has been admitted to probate, the bulk of testator's property to the widow, Bridget Preece, who is also named as executrix. The plaintiff claimed that the testator was unduly influenced by the defendant and further that the testator was in no condition to make a will at that time. Witnesses were called to testify to the condition of Thomas Preece on the day the last will was executed and Mr. Callahan testified to having drawn the will. Mrs. Preece was the second wife of the testator and is younger than some of his daughters.

This case occupied the attention of the court all day Friday, and at the time of going to press had not yet been given to the jury. A large number of witnesses were heard yesterday to testify to the condition of the testator at the time the will was executed.

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